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SUBJECT: TIGHTENED SECURITY IN WAKE OF CUBANA CRASH

REFERENCE: KINGSTON 4441

1. GOJ HAS INSTITUTED TIGHT AIRPORT SECURITY PRECAUTIONS IN THE WAKE OF THE AIR CUBANA CRASH NEAR BARBADOS RESULTING IN LONG LINES AND CONSIDERABLE CONFUSION AT JAMAICA'S INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS. BAGGAGE NOW BEING SUBJECTED TO CAREFUL SCREENING AND PRE-BOARDING IDENTIFICATION BY PASSENGERS. RESTRICTIONS HAVE WRECKED HAVOC WITH AIRLINES SCHEDULES AND PROVIDED US AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEADACHE SINCE NO AIR CARGO BEING CARRIED ON PASSENGER FLIGHTS (SEE REFTEL).

2. WE HAVE ALSO LEARNED FROM PASSENGERS ARRIVING KINGSTON VIA HAVANA-KINGSTON AIR CUBANA FLIGHTS THAT AIR CUBANA'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES ARE BEING SCHEDULED ON RANDOM BASIS WITH ACTUAL DEPARTURE TIME BEING MADE KNOWN TO PASSENGERS ONLY AT LAST MINUTE. THIS INFORMATION CONFIRMED BY CONGRESSMAN BELL WHO ARRIVED

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AT HAVANA AIRPORT OCTOBER 12 TO CATCH A SCHEDULED FLIGHT ONLY TO

HAVE THE DEPARTURE TIME MOVED BACKWARDS AND FORWARDS
FOUR TIMES BEFORE ACTUAL DEPARTURE. SAME SITUATION
EXISTED IN KINGSTON CONCERNING ARRIVAL TIME WITH
CONSEQUENCE CONGRESSMAN BELL WAS NOT MET. IT SEEMED
CLEAR THAT THESE CHANGES WERE INTENTIONAL AND HAD
NOTHING TO DO WITH SERVICING AND EVERYTHING TO DO
WITH AIRCRAFT SECURITY.
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